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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 (REPLACEMENT COPY)**

Dear Sir:

In response to the June 26, 2002 Official Action (Paper No. 11) please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please insert the following as the first paragraph on page 1 of the description: --This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/GB99/00583, filed February 26, 1999.--

After the claims, please insert the attached "Abstract".

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 42-53, 64-65, 67, 71, 72, 80 and 90 as follows:

42. (Amended) An isolated peptide consisting essentially of at least one human MHC-binding epitope of the Tek protein having the amino acid sequence of Fig. 1 (SEQ ID NO. 1), the peptide being substantially free of sequences of native human Tek protein which are not part of said at least one

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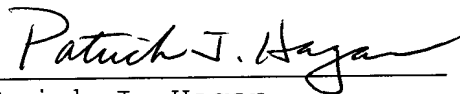
RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Communication dated February 26, 2003 in the above-identified patent application, submitted herewith is a replacement copy of applicants' Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111, filed December 26, 2002 (hereinafter "the December 26th Amendment"). In the replacement copy of the December 26th Amendment submitted herewith, the underlining which was inadvertently included in claims 42 and 90 of the original December 26th Amendment, at pages 2, 3 and 6, respectively, has been removed.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is again respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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